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SUBJECT: ANTITRUST: FTC INVESTIGATION OF BIC PEN  
CORP. ACQUISITION OF AMERICAN SAFETY RAZOR.

REF: (A) STATE 047994; (B) ECONOMIST, MARCH 7

1. BEFORE SPEAKING WITH GOF PER REF A EMBASSY WOULD  
APPRECIATE A REPORT FROM WASHINGTON CONCERNING  
FEDERAL COURT ACTION DESCRIBED REF B. SHOULD WE SAY  
THAT BIC MAY PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISITION WITHOUT FEAR  
OF FURTHER ANTI-TRUST ACTION?

2. DOES DEPARTMENT BELIEVE COURT ACTION ON BIC CASE  
COULD INFLUENCE FTC PROCEEDINGS RE CASE/POCLAIN  
MERGER?  
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